

# System and Method for Establishing a Virtual Circuit in an ATM Network

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## *Background of the Invention*

### *Field of the Invention*

The present invention is directed to a telecommunications network and, in particular, to a system and method for establishing a virtual circuit in an ATM network.

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### *Related Art*

Computer networks often are designed to connect "client" systems with "server" systems. A client is a device and/or software that requests information from a server. A client may be a computer system or process, for example. The server is typically a shared computer in which data is stored and from which data is distributed. A server may be a computer program, a database system, or a computer system, for example. The server provides a service to clients utilizing a "client-server model."

According to the client-server model, the client connects to the server, sends a request (or query) to the server, and waits for a response from the server. The client may request that the server perform a computation, retrieve a file, or search a database for a particular entry, for example. It is not uncommon for the client to subsequently translate the server's response into a format that a human can understand.

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